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- Two Communist-dominated political parties are in process of combining forces for the coming Presidential and Assembly elections in El Salvador. Leaders of the newly formed Partido Revolucionario Institucional Democratico (PRID) .* and the Partido Autentico Democratico (PAD) held meetings in Santa Ana during the last week of December 1949, attended by delegates from the Communist-controlled Comite de Reorganizacion Obrera (CRO), at which the following points were discussed:
 - a) Joint support was to be given to Hajor Humberto P. Villalta, exiled Army officer, for the presidency;
 - b) In the event that the Salvadoran government should impose restrictions on the activities of PMD and PAD, elections should be boycotted, and preparations for armed rebellion should bo instituted in concert with leftist elements in labor organizations and the Army; and
 - c) Open opposition to the present two-man Council of Government of El Salvador was to be declared, as well as to the candidacy of Major Oscar Osorio and his party, the Partido Revolucionario de Unificacion Democratica.
- 2. Known Communists who attended these meetings in Santa Ana, were, for the PRID: Jose Angel Zepeda, and Felix Portillo; for PAD: Rafael Quintana, and Daniel Quintero; for CRO: Daniel Gamero, Rafael Pena, and Rafael Cisneroso

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